

DURBOROUGH, ON GREAT MEXICAN BATTLEFIELD, TELLS OF TERRIBLE CONDITIONS



Photographed by Staff Photographer Durborough.

Refugees Crossing the Rio Grande River From Mexico to Presidio, Tex.

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Ojinaga, Mex., Jan. 16.—Strewn with the dead and wounded of the seven days' battle that has been raging at Ojinaga, the battlefield presented a grewsome appearance to-day when I made a trip under escort to the federal outposts about five miles out of town.

After the fierce attack the rebels made on Ojinaga New Year's eve, in which they advanced almost to the federal trenches and were repulsed with heavy losses, the fighting was

mostly at long range until the last day of the siege, when, during the early morning, the rebels made a complete change of position of their troops and artillery.

Rebel Generals Ortega and Natera left the river bottom, to the east of the town, and allowed no press men to accompany them on their new move.

I crossed the river early and camped in the federal trenches.

A high wind was blowing and the dust, which is several inches deep